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This application claims the priority benefit of U.S. Provisional application 60/188,583, filed March 10, 2000, which is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

TECHNICAL FIELD

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The invention is in the field of immunostimulatory poynucleotides, more particularly their use in ameliorating or preventing respiratory viral infection and symptoms of respiratory viral infection.

BACKGROUND ART

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Despite massive research efforts to find cures, respiratory virus infection remains a major health problem worldwide. Influenza and rhinovirus are causative agents for flu and common cold, respectively, lead to significant lost productivity annually as well as discomfort and even death due to illness. While many over-the-counter remedies are available, these drugs merely treat symptoms, often with only limited success, leaving the patient still debilitated from the infection. Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) is a leading cause of serious lower respiratory tract infections and children under two years and has more recently been identified as an important cause of lower respiratory tract infection in adults. No vaccines are currently available for preventing RSV infection. The only antiviral currently approved for treatment of the disease, ribavirin, suffers from the drawbacks of being licensed only for administration as continuous small particle aerosol and being a potential teratogen. A challenge facing treatment of these infections is to discover an anti-viral

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